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Dear Specialized Carrier:

The General Services Administration (GSA), Federal Supply Service is about to standardize another part of its Freight Management Program (FMP).

Effective April 18, 2003, all specialized carrier paper tenders not predicated upon the GSA Standard Tender of Service (STOS) must be re-filed to comply with the GSA STOS. Examples of specialized carrier services include:

- flat bed service
- stepdeck service
- dropdeck service
- car transportation service
  - driveaway service
  - truckaway service
- refrigerated service.

For those transportation service providers not familiar with GSA's STOS, the GSA STOS is comprised of three parts:

- GSA General Freight Tender of Service No. 1-F establishes such things as carrier approval requirements, solicitation submission of rate offer procedures, performance requirements, service standards and non-use procedures.
- GSA National Rules Tender No. 100-D replaces all carrier and bureau accessorial and rules tariffs and publications.
- GSA Baseline Rate Publication No. 1000-D replaces all carrier and bureau line-haul tariffs and publications.

The GSA STOS is available at the following website: <http://www.kc.gsa.gov/fsstt/frt/>

Rate offers for the transportation of Freight-All-Kinds (FAK) shipments solicited and accepted in accordance with the GSA STOS provide Federal agencies that participate in GSA's FMP the most economical and responsive rates and services available. In addition to assisting Federal agencies with transportation of FAK shipments, GSA also assists agencies with all other freight related shipments and/or questions.

If your specialized carrier paper tender filing is not predicated upon the GSA STOS after April 18, 2003, it will not be used until you have either filed a new tender or supplemented your existing tender with the GSA office to which the original tender filing

was submitted. **If your specialized paper tender filing is already predicated upon the GSA STOS, there is no need for your firm to initiate any further action.**

In the future, it is GSA's intention to incorporate the specialized carrier services and rates into the Federal Supply Service's comprehensive Transportation Management Services Solution (TMSS), our new automated system.

If you have questions about this notice, please contact the GSA office where you originally filed your specialized tender(s).

Sincerely,

*/s/ Ed Hodges*

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